BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. JOHN D. DOAK, Insurance Commissioner, Petitioner, Vs. MORTON CLARK, a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma, AND AMERICAN CONTRACTORS INDEMNITY COMPANY, an insurance company licensed to act as bail surety in the State of Oklahoma, Respondents.

CONDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO BE HEARD

COMES NOW the State of Oklahoma, ex rel. John D. Doak, Insurance Commissioner, by and through counsel and alleges and states as follows:

JURISDICTION

- 1. John D. Doak is the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oklahoma and as such is charged with the duty of administering and enforcing all provisions of the Oklahoma Insurance Code, 36 O.S. §§ 101-7301, and the Oklahoma Bail Bond Act, 59 O. S. §§ 1301-1340.
- 2. Respondent Morton Clark ("Clark") is a licensed bail bondsman in the State of Oklahoma holding license number 100181052.
- 3. Respondent American Contractors Indemnity Company ("ACIC") is an insurance company licensed to act as bail surety in the State of Oklahoma holding NAIC number 10216.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On or about September 24, 2014, an appearance bond was executed as follows:

Defendant:

Brandy Michelle Martinez

Case Number(s):

CM-2014-2390

City/County:

Oklahoma County Court Clerk

Insurer:

American Contractors Indemnity Company

Bondsman:

Morton Clark

Power Number(s):

A2-2103793

Bond Amount(s):

\$500

- 2. On November 6, 2014, the Defendant failed to appear, and the bond was orally declared forfeited. An Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was filed by the court on November 13, 2014. A true and correct copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was mailed to Respondents with return receipt requested within thirty (30) days after the Order's filing.
- Clark's copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was received on November 15,
 2014.
- 4. ACIC's copy of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture was received on November 17, 2014.
- 5. The ninetieth (90th) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by Respondents was Friday, February 13, 2015.
- 6. The ninety-first (91st) day after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by Respondents was Tuesday, February 17, 2015.
 - 7. The bond forfeiture was paid late on Monday, February 23, 2015.
- 8. The Defendant was not returned to custody within 90 days, nor was the face amount of the forfeited bond deposited with the Court Clerk within 91 days, after receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture by Respondents.
 - 9. The bond was reported.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The allegations are found to be true and correct, and Respondents have violated 59 O.S. § 1332(D) by failing to return the Defendant within ninety (90) days or remit payment in the face amount of the bond forfeiture within ninety-one (91) days from receipt of the Order and Judgment of Forfeiture.
- 2. Pursuant to 59 O.S. § 1310(B), any bondsman or company violating a provision of the Bail Bond Act, 59 O.S. §§ 1301-1340, may be subject to a fine of not less than \$250 but not more than \$2,500.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Morton Clark and American Contractors Indemnity Company are <u>each</u> **CENSURED** and **FINED** Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).

Respondents are further notified that they may request a hearing within 30 days of the receipt of this Order concerning this action, and upon such request, the Oklahoma Insurance Department shall conduct a hearing before an independent hearing examiner. A request for hearing shall be made in writing to Dan R. Byrd, Assistant General Counsel, Oklahoma Insurance Department, Legal Division, 3625 NW 56th Suite 100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112 and give an explanation of Respondents' actions alleged herein and any defenses thereto.

If Respondents do not request a hearing within the 30 days allotted, this Order shall become a FINAL ORDER on the 31st day following the receipt of the Order, and the fines ordered herein shall be due.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this 13th day of March, 2015.



JOHN D. DOAK
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
STATTOF OF LAHOMA

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